To: (NE)

Cc: (ERG-BIO); (AHVLA); (AHVLA);

Subject: RE: A10's for birds licenced by NE

I don't think AHVLA can confirm what our procedures would be until the policy position has been agreed with Ministers. Until then we have to follow/apply the procedures currently in place - which mean that we have to consult our scientific advisors (JNCC) before issuing an A10 and we cannot pre-empt their decision.

As far as what was agreed at the meeting, my recollection was that we agreed that it would be likely we could issue an A10 for a specimen taken from the wild under NE licence, on the grounds that the conservation impact had been considered negligible. We have since discussed this with our scientific advisors and they have concerns that NE would be applying different tests to theirs, and I believe that they will be in touch with you to discuss a way forward.

By the way, I am copying to as she is more properly the lead on the use of wild taken native birds; has a more peripheral interest in the CITES side of the issue.

Regards

Animal Health and Veterinary Laboratories Agency (AHVLA)

Specialist Service Centre - Bristol

Wildlife Licensing and Registration Service

"Supporting sustainable trade through customer focused licensing services"

From: (NE)
Sent: 16 October 2012 13:51

To: (AHVLA);

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Subject: A10's for birds licenced by NE

Dear All

Just wanted to follow and confirm our understanding from the meeting we

had a couple of weeks ago, in that if we (NE) issue a licence allowing the removal of specimens of a species which requires an Article 10 certificate for commercial use, that this would be granted to the new keeper of the bird by yourselves. The reasoning behind this being that we would have considered the conservation implications of the action of removal and therefore satisfied the needs of the Directive/Legislation.

Grateful if you could confirm.

Many thanks

- Wildlife Regulation

Natural England